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CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA RFP NO. 603161-13

MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT SERVICES – EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

December 31, 2013

ADDENDUM NO. 1

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

1. The RFP opening date of January 17, 2014 at 3:00:00 p.m. **remains unchanged.**

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

2. Q1 Who is the current provider of these services?
A1 **This is a new service. There is no current provider.**
- Q2 Who is the current laboratory providing the drug testing?
A2 **This is a new service. There is no current provider.**
- Q3 What does your agency currently pay for each laboratory test (i.e. 10-panel, K2/Spice, Bath Salts, Disputed Screens)? Do these prices include the cost for observed collections?
A3 **This is a new service. There is no current provider.**
- Q4 Presumptive positive screens are not legally defensible. The Department of Health and Human Services indicates that GC/MS and LC/MS/MS methodologies have proven to be reliable to test specimens, and produce forensically and scientifically supportable results. Moreover, the results produced using these methodologies have proven to be defensible in courts of law across the country.

Would the County be consider GC/MS or LC/MS/MS confirmations as these are legally defensible confirmation methodologies? If so, will this line item be added to Project Fees? Or, is the County interested in receiving laboratory pricing that is inclusive of GC/MS and LC/MS/MS confirmation (for each line item)?

A4 **Laboratory pricing that includes GC/MS and/or LC/MS/MS confirmation should be provided in the proposal.**
- Q5 What is the County's percent positive rate for their drug testing?
A5 **This is a new service. There are no statistics.**
- Q6 What was the volume of specimens tested last year? What is the estimated number of drug tests conducted for the upcoming year??
A6 **This is a new service. There are no statistics.**
- Q7 Other than creatinine, what other adulterants is the County interested in testing?
A7 **Creatinine is not an adulterant. Creatinine levels lower than 20 mg/dl indicate that the urine sample is too dilute to provide an accurate result. The County is not interested in testing for adulterants.**

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- Q8 Per the Sample Contract, Section VI for Subcontracts, services are not to be subcontracted without written approval from the County. Will the County consider subcontracting under this contract?
A8 **Yes.**
- Q9 Regarding expert witness testimony for positive drug tests, will the County consider written or telephonic affidavits from toxicologists as they relate to confirmed positive specimens?
A9 **No. Expert witness testimony for positive drug tests is not required for this contract.**
- Q10 Given this bid is requesting both drug testing and Mental Health Treatment, would the County consider awarding two vendors; one for collections and treatment and the other for drug testing?
A10 **The County intends to award to a single supplier for treatment and drug testing.**

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (702) 455-4230 or via email at jhaining@clarkcountynv.gov.

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